

because of the use of a noncovered device or from the furnishing of related noncovered services.

**§ 405.209 Payment for a non-experimental/investigational (Category B) device.**

Payment under Medicare for a non-experimental/investigational (Category B) device is based on, and may not exceed, the amount that would have been paid for a currently used device serving the same medical purpose that has been approved or cleared for marketing by the FDA.

**§ 405.211 Procedures for Medicare contractors in making coverage decisions for a non-experimental/investigational (Category B) device.**

(a) *General rule.* In their review of claims for payment, Medicare contractors are bound by the statute, regulations, and all HCFA administrative issuances, including all national coverage decisions.

(b) *Potentially covered non-experimental/investigational (Category B) devices.* Medicare contractors may approve coverage for any device with an FDA-approved IDE categorized as a non-experimental/investigational (Category B) device if all other coverage requirements are met.

(c) *Other considerations.* Medicare contractors must consider whether any restrictions concerning site of service, indications for use, or any other list of conditions for coverage have been placed on the device's use.

**§ 405.213 Re-evaluation of a device categorization.**

(a) *General rules.* (1) Any sponsor that does not agree with an FDA decision that categorizes its device as experimental/investigational (Category A) may request re-evaluation of the categorization decision.

(2) A sponsor may request review by HCFA only after the requirements of paragraph (b) of this section are met.

(3) No reviews other than those described in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section are available to the sponsor.

(4) Neither the FDA original categorization or re-evaluation (described in paragraph (b) of this section) nor

HCFA's review (described in paragraph (c) of this section) constitute an initial determination for purposes of the Medicare appeals processes under part 405, subpart G or subpart H, or parts 417, 473, or 498 of this chapter.

(b) *Request to FDA.* A sponsor that does not agree with the FDA's categorization of its device may submit a written request to the FDA at any time requesting re-evaluation of its original categorization decision, together with any information and rationale that it believes support recategorization. The FDA notifies both HCFA and the sponsor of its decision.

(c) *Request to HCFA.* If the FDA does not agree to recategorize the device, the sponsor may seek review from HCFA. A device sponsor must submit its request in writing to HCFA. HCFA obtains copies of relevant portions of the application, the original categorization decision, and supplementary materials. HCFA reviews all material submitted by the sponsor and the FDA's recommendation. HCFA reviews only information in the FDA record to determine whether to change the categorization of the device. HCFA issues a written decision and notifies the sponsor of the IDE and the FDA.

**§ 405.215 Confidential commercial and trade secret information.**

To the extent that HCFA relies on confidential commercial or trade secret information in any judicial proceeding, HCFA will maintain confidentiality of the information in accordance with Federal law.

**Subpart C—Suspension of Payment, Recovery of Overpayments, and Repayment of Scholarships and Loans**

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